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## Research Interests

Political Economy, Behavioural Science, Public Policy

## **Affiliations**

#### Current

Postodoctoral Researcher, Dept. of Behavioural Science , 2021— London School of Economics & Political Science

Senior Research Fellow (Honorary), Institute for Global Prosperity, 2021— University College London

Research Advisor, Gallup International, 2022—

#### Visiting Positions

Visiting Researcher, Spring 2024 Harvard University

Visiting Scholar, Quality of Government Institute, 2020 **Gothenburg University** 

PhD Research Visit, Department of Political Science, Spring 2019 **Yale University** 

## Education

Ph.D. Economics (2021)

Swansea University

M.Sc. Financial Economics (2016)

Cardiff Business School

- with Distinction
- Top of the class & Best Dissertation Award

Visiting Student (2012-13)

**Ghent University** 

— Joint with a full time internship in the **Press office of the European Commission** 

B.Sc. Economics and Regional Development (2015)

Panteion University

— with *Distinction*. Top 5% of the class

### Research

### **Papers**

Origin of (A)symmetry: Evolution of Out-Party Distrust in the United States (2024) — with B. Klein Teeselink *Journal of Politics*, Forthcoming

Partisanship, political alignment, and charitable donations — with B. Klein Teeselink

Public Choice, Accepted

- → Best Paper Award, IOEA 2022
- → Discussed in: Marginal Revolution

#### R. & R.

Weather to Protest: The Effect of Black Lives Matter Protests on the 2020 Presidential Election (2021) — with B. Klein Teeselink

- $\rightarrow$  R & R, Political Behavior
- → Discussed in Media: Economist; The Nation; Daily Caller; Waging NonViolence
- → Interviewed by: Nature, Social Change Lab

Sleeping with the enemy: Partisanship and Tolerance in online dating (2023)—with Y. Sleiman and P. Dolan

- $\rightarrow$  R & R, Political Science Research & Methods
- → Pre-registration

Who Needs Security in a Crisis? Evidence from an In-the-Field Choice Experiment in Lebanon (2022) — with Y. Sleiman, E. Pietrostefani, H. Moore

- $\rightarrow$  R & R, Journal of Development Studies
- → Funded by Leverhulme Trust

### Under Review - Working Papers

Religion, Identity and Preferences — with B. Klein Teeselink

- → Under Review
- → Funded by the British Academy / Leverhulme Small Grants scheme

Remnants of civil war: Immediate and long-term effects of electoral oppression — with V. Logothetis

→ Under Review

'Not as bad as I thought': Economic attitudes and motivated reasoning in coalition governments — with G. Kavetsos and C. Krekel

→ Under Review

Emotions mitigate partisan motivated reasoning — with J. Perez

→ Working Paper

### **Book Chapters**

Regional job polarization in OECD countries (2024), - with E. Pietrostefani & G. Garofani **OECD Handbook on Labour Markets in Transition**, Edward Elgar, Forthcoming

# **Teaching**

Given my background and research interests I can teach various classes in quantitative methods, data science, and impact evaluation at undergraduate, postgraduate and executive levels.

#### London School of Economics

'Causal Inference for Behavioural Science', M.Sc. Behavioural Science (core): 2023/24, 2022/23

- Module Leader
- → Redesigned the class curriculum and evaluation
- → Developed an interactive website for students to learn and interact

'Data Science for Social Sciences', B.Sc. programme (3<sup>rd</sup> year): 2021/22

- $\rightarrow$  Led applications part of the class
- → Redesigned seminars & assignment

#### Swansea University

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'Advanced Macroeconomics', B.Sc. programme (2<sup>nd</sup> year core): 2018/19, 2017/18, 2016/17 — Teaching Assistant

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'MaSS- Mathematics and Statistics Support', B.Sc. programme: 2018/19, 2017/18 — Course Leader

# Students Supervision

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M.Sc dissertations (12 Students), M.Sc. Behavioural Science - LSE — 2024/25
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M.Sc dissertations (13 Students), M.Sc. Behavioural Science - LSE — 2023/24

→ Student with the Best Dissertation Award, 6 students in top 10%

*M.Sc dissertations* (13 *Students*), M.Sc. Behavioural Science - LSE — 2022/23

→ Student with the Best Dissertation Award, 5 students in top 10%

M.Sc dissertations (2 Students), M.Sc. Behavioural Science - LSE — 2021/22

 $\rightarrow$  Student with the Best Dissertation Award, Both students in the top 10%

M.Sc dissertations (15 Students), M.Sc. Global Prosperity - UCL — 2020-21

→ Student with Best Dissertation Award, 5 students in the top 10%

### Departmental Service

Organised Dissertation workshops for M.Sc. & Ph.D. students on Data cleaning, Quantitative analysis and Data visualisations, London School of Economics & Political Science, 2021—

Mentor to M.Sc. students (circa 15 students per year), London School of Economics & Political Science, 2021—

Undergraduate Tutor (circa 10 students annually), Swansea University, 2016-19

## Grants

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MultiPoD - Promoting inclusion and overcoming barriers to political participation (2024)	£390,900	Horizon Europe	co-I
BENEFITS - Building Economic, Needs-Based and Environmental evaluation Frameworks for Inclusive Transformation of Social services in Europe (2025)	£405,450	Horizon Europe	co-I
Informality in times of economic instability in Lebanon (2020-23)	£250,012	Leverhulme Trust	co-I

### Small grants

	Amount	Funder
Shifting Involvements or Shifting Identities? (2023) Endogenous Preferences: Choice to Actions (2023)	£9,700 £3,000	BA/Leverhulme LSE RIIF
Public Choice Fellows Grant (2019)  Oversees Institutional Visit Grant (2019)	£1,500 £7,500	Public Choice ESRC
ESRC Doctoral Award (fees and stipend) (2016)	£75,000	ESRC

# **Impact**

## Policy

#### UK

- [2] **London Longitudinal Study** Co-designed a 10-year study examining the prosperity of over 4,000 households in 15 areas of east London
  - $\rightarrow$  5 Policy reports after each survey wave
  - → 1 Policy dashboard
- [1] Camden Council, Lendlease & Camden Giving— Co-designed a study to measure inequalities and livelihoods in 1.200 households in Camden with regards to providing access to Universal Basic Services

#### International

- [1] Ministry of Labour & Social Affairs Consulted on designing the Strategic Framework for the design and implementation of the policy toolkit of the Next Generation EU National Recovery and Resilience Fund (RRF)
  - $\rightarrow$  Participated in the development of the PM Office
  - ightarrow 5 Policy Implementations Experiments currently implemented

### Refereeing

#### **Journals**:

– American Political Science Review; Economic Journal; Electoral Studies; Environment and Development Economics; Journal of Economic Psychology; Journal of Politics; Nature Human Behaviour; Political Behaviour; Political Psychology

#### Grants:

- Horizon 2020
- ESRC

#### RA/TA supervision

Clemens Bauer-Mitterlehner (Current), Placement: Research Fellow in Economics - University College London

Mathew Sushil (2022-23), Placement: PhD in Economics and Public Policy - Imperial College London

Yara Sleiman (2020-22), Placement: PhD in Political Science - University College London

Giorgio Maarraoui (2020-22), Placement: PhD in Economics - Manchester University

## Conferences, Seminars & Talks

### Presenting

2024 — LSE, SPSA, Bank of Greece, PSA, King's Policy Institute, Sheffield, ECPR, EPOP, ASREC

2023 — LSE, UCL, IOEA (Invited), Oxford, Political Psychology Seminar (PSA), City University London

2022 — LSE, UCL, ULB (Invited), IOEA, ISPP, Reading

**2021** — LSE, ILO, RELIEF, UCL - Some events cancelled due to COVID-19

**2020** — Panteion University, Public Choice Society Annual Conference, RELIEF Conference, Athens University of Economics and Business (AUEB), International Economics Association Congress (July) - Some events cancelled due to COVID-19

**2019** — Yale, Public Choice Society, Athens (AUEB), WISERD, World Interdisciplinary Network for Institutional Research, UCL, Oxford (Invited)

2018 — Swansea, Athens University of Economics and Business - AUEB, IOEA, Cardiff, SIOE, WISERD

### Organising

'Assessing welfare disparities in EU Regions - workshop', March 2022

'Post-Covid Recovery and Employment - workshop', University College London, May 2021

# Languages

Greek (native), English (fluent), French (very good)